

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-82 (canceled)

Claim 83 (previously presented): An isolated nucleic acid which encodes an amino acid sequence comprising SEQ ID NO:12 from about amino acid residue number 1 to about amino acid residue number 254.

Claim 84 (previously presented): The isolated nucleic acid of Claim 83 which comprises the nucleotides of SEQ ID NO:11.

Claim 85 (previously presented): A recombinant DNA comprising the isolated nucleic acid of any one of Claims 83 or 84 operably linked to regulatory control sequences which can effect expression of said nucleic acid in a host cell.

Claim 86 (previously presented): An isolated expression vector comprising the recombinant DNA of Claim 83.

Claim 87 (previously presented): An isolated host cell comprising the vector of Claim 86.

Claim 88 (previously presented): The host cell of Claim 87 wherein said host cell is a eukaryotic or a prokaryotic host cell.

Claim 89 (previously presented): A method of producing a recombinant wth3 protein which process comprises:

- a) culturing the host cell of Claim 87 in a culture medium under conditions suitable for expression of the wth3 protein in said host cell, and
- b) recovering said recombinant protein from said host cell or said culture medium.

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Claim 90 (previously presented): A wth3 protein prepared by the method of Claim 89.

Claim 91 (previously presented): A recombinant expression vector suitable for increasing drug sensitivity in an isolated host cell comprising a nucleotide as claimed in Claim 83 and a regulatory sequence operatively linked to the nucleic acid.